

MEMORANDUM



TO: BCAM Coaches

FROM: Geoff Kimmerly, MHSAA Media & Content Coordinator

RE: Coaches reporting scores

DATE: December 2018

BCAM is working with the MHSAA on the possibility of seeding the districts of the boys and girls basketball tournaments in the future. In order for this to happen EVERY coach must start the habit of reporting their scores after every game.

- * Every season for football, the MHSAA has 100 percent of scores and schedules - but that is for roughly 610 teams and at most nine regular-season games for each.
- * To do something similar to seed for basketball, the MHSAA also will need 100 percent of scores and schedules but for 1,450 teams and up to 20 games for each.
- * The MHSAA has put quite a bit of time and financial muscle into gathering this data over the last many years - but we still fall short of 100 percent accuracy.
- * Without 100 percent accuracy, any formula we use for whatever method is proposed will still produce results that can be called into some question.

Filling in schedules and scores is a quick and easy process.

1. Coaches should log in to MHSAA.com like they would for any other business they carry out on the website.
2. Once logged in, click "Schools" in the blue menu bar at the top of every page. This pulls up the School Directory Search.
3. Search for your school and proceed to your school's main page - which should have a web address, for example, like www.mhsaa.com/schools/haslett
4. Once on your school's main page, click either the red "Girls" or blue "Boys" button next to "Basketball" in the menu reading top to bottom of the left side of the screen. This will pull up the varsity schedule for that sport.
5. From here, you'll see a few things. For every game, next to the date, is an "Edit" button to make changes to that game. On the far right, appearing only on game nights, is "Submit Score" - click this

to enter a score. (If you see a blank for your upcoming game, it is not close enough to game time.) You also may click "Dispute Score" if a past score we have is incorrect.

6. At the bottom of the schedule are buttons "Add a Contest" and "Add a Tournament" - ignore the tournament button. But to add games to complete your schedule, click "Add a Contest" and follow the directions to add every regular-season game that is missing. (Your MHSAA District games will be filled in by our office once brackets are posted.)

I would ask every coach to look at her or his schedule and make sure it is correct and the results to this point are filled in - and at minimum, if unable to do it themselves on the site, send me anything that needs to be added/deleted/fixed at geoff@mhsaa.com.

The entering of scores also can be done by anyone - a stat person, etc., can become a registered user by clicking the "Register" link in the top right-hand corner of the home page at MHSAA.com. The process takes just a few seconds.